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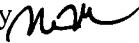
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MEMORANDUM

To: Legislative Oversight Committee Members
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State Consumer Family Advisory Committee Chairs
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North Carolina Association of County Commissioners
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County Board Chairs
North Carolina Council of Community Programs
State Facility Directors
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Area Program Board Chairs
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Provider Organizations
MH/DD/SAS Professional Organizations and Groups
MH/DD/SAS Stakeholder Organizations and Groups
Other MH/DD/SAS Stakeholders

From: Mike Moseley 

Re: **Communication Bulletin #65**
Cultural and Linguistic Competency Plan



The Division is pleased to accept the final report submitted by the Cultural Competency Advisory Group entitled, *Cultural and Linguistic Competency Action Plan*. On behalf of the Division, I would like to commend the Advisory Group for their expertise and hard work as they finalized this Plan. The quality of the Plan and the Recommendations are a testament to that work.

I am pleased to announce that the Division has immediately responded to Recommendations 1 and 2 of the Plan. Consultation and technical assistance on the implementation of these recommendations has been assigned to the Communications and Training Team in the Operations Support Section. In addition, I will appoint in the near future a newly constituted Cultural Competency Advisory Group to assist the Division with implementation. This group will be immediately charged with assisting the Division in determining the feasibility of undertaking the remaining Recommendations. Please address any questions or comments to Michelle Edelen, Communications and Training Team Leader at Michelle.Edelen@ncmail.net or (919) 715-2780.

Attachment

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